

WILLIAMSBURG BOY PERFECTED COAL CAR

CYRUS HANKINS DESIGNS BIGGEST CAR IN THE WORLD

When the reports went broadcast over the country that the Norfolk & Western Railway Co. had put out the biggest coal car in the world, very few people knew that it was a Williamsburg boy whose genius developed this mammoth coal-carrying car which may revolutionize the coal-carrying traffic of the country. The inventor and designer of the car was Cyrus Hankins, the only son of Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Hankins, of this city.

This great car was evolved by Mr. Hankins a little more than a year ago while he was employed in the shops of the Norfolk & Western at Roanoke. When the railway people found he had an idea along this line, they put him to work on it and the result was the 100-ton car, a feature of which is its six trucks, like the big Pullman cars. Some idea of the size of the monster may be understood when it is recalled that the regular coal car of today carries only fifty tons.

The Norfolk & Western immediately had the idea patented, which prevents the designer and inventor from sharing in the fruits of his genius. Mr. Hankins is about 22 years of age now and is a graduate of the V. P. I. at Blacksburg. He was also a student at William and Mary for several years, but got his mechanical training at the Blacksburg institution. He was only twenty years old when he made his big invention.

Young Hankins is now a mechanical engineer in the Symington plant at Rochester, N. Y., a big concern, where he will no doubt have an opportunity to further develop his genius.

WAS A STUDENT HERE

The Rev. William Henry Pettus has resigned the rectorship of Preston parish, Saltville, Va., and has accepted the call to become rector of St. James' church, West Somerville, Mass., a beautiful and rapidly-growing suburb of Boston. The call is effective Feb. 16.

Mr. Pettus is an alumnus of William and Mary College, and of the Theological Seminary in Virginia, and the son of the late Henry Thomas and Josephine Caledonia Clarke Pettus, of Petersburg.

PLAN A MEETING OF THE FARMERS

A number of farmers having requested it, the committee in charge of the Farmers' Auction will endeavor to arrange for a mass meeting of the farmers of this section with the Business Association at 11 o'clock on the day of the next sale, January 18. The object of the meeting will be to discuss plans for the future and to hear such suggestions as those present may have to offer.

The committee will make an announcement next week of the time and place of the meeting, if it is finally decided to hold one.

Persons troubled with partial paralysis are often very much benefited by massaging the affected parts thoroughly when applying Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. John McGinnis has accepted the agency for the George A. Parker Co., of Philadelphia, for men, women and children's hosiery. He will sell the articles direct from the factory to the consumers, thus cutting the high cost of living. His hosiery is guaranteed for four months and is said to be a very fine grade at a very reasonable price.

AN APPEAL FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Mr. Editor:

While looking at the beautiful new school building at Toano, and thinking of the corps of eight teachers and 200 odd scholars, the thought came to me, what will be the fate of the future men and women who are now playing on the grounds of the school yard, free of care, but with troubles of their own?

This school has a high standard and the educational advantages exceptional. The teachers are extremely careful and competent. The curriculum high and necessarily hard. The aim and intention is to make the high school even higher in standard. So much the better for the pupil. All of that is as it should be. Theory is what is taught in all schools and a pity it is that vocational education is not taught also. It is not reasonable to suppose that all the graduates of our high schools will be professional men, and for those who elect to be a doctor, lawyer, minister, or any profession where a higher examination is demanded, so well and good; but those who wish to take the study of mechanics, where do they come in? In this day and generation an apprentice is an unheard of place or position. The factories, foundries and shops all are too busy to teach and the demand for skilled workmen is so great that a great many states have added mechanics to their public schools.

To me, it seems that the higher branches of study could be eliminated, such as Latin and Greek, and in its stead add mechanics, if a practical method of demonstration cannot be had, at least the student will go out to battle for his daily bread with a theoretical knowledge of his chosen avocation in life. How many of our college bred young men are making a living today? I dare say 90 per cent, of them (who are not in the professional life) are just clerks at \$50 to \$75 per month—whereas a good mechanic will get \$100 to \$150, according to skill.

Of what practical service is Homer, the Oration of Cataline and other dead Latin orators, poets, statesmen? This is a life of practice, not theory. The vicissitudes of life are great to the best of us—so, Virginia should establish vocational education as well as classics for her future men and women. Take such state colleges as William and Mary, V. P. I., V. M. I., U. of Va., and add machine shops, carpenter shops, electricity and electric wiring, and other high callings. Give the young man who has talents toward mechanics every opportunity to develop them. Employ the best and ablest instructors in their special line. Cut out politics and put the best in the places.

An Observer.

What's the difference between a meat man's wife and a barber's wife?



The barber's wife comes to the meat shop to buy, but the meat man's wife passes the barber shop by!

**We Are Sorry 't Is So,
For We Believe In Reciprocity,
Wherever Possible!
NOT ONLY BARBERS WIVES
Come Here To Buy,
BUT ALL GOOD HOUSE-WIVES,
And This Is WHY—**

Our Meats Are Right, Shop Is Clean,
And Every Week Our Ads. Are Seen!

A. W. HITCHENS

TOANO MASONIC LODGE ELECT OFFICERS

Toano, Virginia, December 31—At the stated communication of Chickahominy Lodge A. F. & A. M. for December 1912, the following were chosen officers for the coming year: W. C. Martin, worshipful master; D. Warren Marston, senior warden, E. S. Meanley, junior warden; W. H. Cowles, senior deacon; J. M. Geddy, junior deacon; H. W. Wynne, treasurer. J. G. Carlton, secretary; H. U. Stephenson, C. P. Marston, chaplain; G. A. Marston and G. A. Goddin, stewards.

A very enjoyable time was had on Monday night at a supper given by the masons at Hotel Felix participated in by the members, their wives and sweethearts. Among the visiting brethren were brothers N. L. Henley and T. H. Geddy with their wives and brother Frank Armistead, all of No. 6. The dining-room was artistically decorated for the occasion, and the spread was one of the finest for which this hostelry is noted.

Norvell L. Henley, acted as toastmaster, and among those who responded were J. Alston Cabell, of Richmond, Dr. H. U. Stephenson, C. P. Marston, T. H. Geddy and Frank Armistead.

APPROVE OF THE PICTURE SHOW

At its last business meeting, the Williamsburg Educational and Civic Association passed resolutions commending Mr. B. F. Wolfe upon his moving picture show building, and expresses the belief that he will maintain a high standard for his pictures. By request of the association, we print the resolutions, as follows:

Resolved, That the Educational and Civic Association put itself on record as expressing its appreciation of the substantial theater being built by Mr. B. F. Wolfe, which will be an ornament to our city and constitute a valuable social factor, if he show only such pictures as have passed the National Board of Censorship, as it is confidently believed he will do.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in The Gazette and a copy be sent to Mr. Wolfe with our best wishes for the success of his venture.

V. P. I. FARMERS' WEEK

A circular just received from the State Agricultural College, at Blacksburg, states that a three days farmers' meeting will be held there January 1, 2, 3, 1913. This meeting is for practical farmers who wish the latest information on profitable methods of farming. Practical subjects will be discussed in a practical way by the agricultural faculty of V. P. I., and by other speakers. Among the topics to be discussed are: "Pasture Management," "Irish Potato Growing," "Diseases and Wounds of Farm Animal," "Corn Improvement," "Problems in Farm Management," "The Home Orchard," "The Commercial Fertilizer Problem," "Horse breeding," "Maintaining Soil Fertility," "Problems of Live Stock Farming." A number of Virginia farmers will talk on "My Methods of Farming."

Thursday, January 2nd, the State Corn Growers' Association will meet at Blacksburg, and will hold a corn judging contest, and a competitive exhibit of corn and wheat. In the evening the College will tender an agricultural banquet to the visitors.

The cost of attending this meeting will be small, the only expense being railroad fare and living expenses. The College furnishes board at sixty cents per day, and lodging can be secured in town at very reasonable rates. The regular holiday railroad rates of one and three-fifths fare for the round trip can be used. These tickets are sold December 31st, and are good for return trip until January 6th. We hope many of our farmers will attend this meeting.

LODGES ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

Tuesday night of this week Hamilton Lodge No. 289, I. O. O. F., elected the following officer, and the installation will take place next Tuesday night: D. S. Harris, noble grand; H. D. Bozarth, vice-grand; J. V. Morris, recording secretary; R. D. Wilkins, financial secretary; Jas. H. Stone, treasurer; J. V. Morris, trustee; R. W. Galt and George W. Wright, hall committee.

An interesting attendance contest closed in this lodge at Tuesday night's meeting, the Reds winning by a plurality of five over the Pinks, Blues and Whites. A banquet, given by the losers, will be held next Tuesday night.

Spotswood Council No. 35, Jr. O. U. A. M. has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: W. A. Apperson, councillor; J. F. Randolph, vice-councillor; E. H. Proctor, recording secretary; C. H. Fletcher, assistant recording secretary; J. V. Morris, financial secretary; W. A. Bozarth, treasurer; E. E. Budd, conductor; George Hockaday, warden; T. W. Wilkins, inside sentinel; W. B. Carper, outside sentinel; A. E. Griffin, trustee.

The following will preside over the deliberations of Powhatan Council Royal Arcanum for the next twelve months:

Representative to the Grand Council, J. H. St. John; alternate, B. F. Wolfe; regent, H. M. Sweetey, Sr.; vice-regent, J. N. St. John; orator, B. F. Wolfe; secretary, E. H. Proctor; collector, Geo. E. Beale; treasurer, J. V. Morris; chaplain, Galbalden; guide, Wazat Thorpe; warden, B. L. Parr; sentinel, Boyd Creasy.

Announcement

Mr. H. N. Phillips, our former cashier, having been offered an attractive official position with a bank elsewhere, which he feels he cannot afford to decline, and must accept at once if at all, has tendered his resignation as cashier of The Peninsula Bank. The association of Mr. Phillips with the bank and its directors has been long and most pleasant, and his resignation has been accepted with much regret at the severance of these pleasant relations. But the bank is especially fortunate in having on its staff a gentleman who is in every way qualified to fill the vacancy. Mr. S. L. Graham has been with us for nearly ten years, and is thoroughly familiar with every detail of the bank's business and has been unanimously elected cashier.

Mr. Milton S. Casey has been advanced and the business will proceed without inconvenience to any one. Mr. Phillips will retain an interest in the bank, and remain on the board of directors.

RO. L. SPENCER, President
E. W. WARBURTON, Vice-President.

Referring to the foregoing, I beg to express a most grateful appreciation of the uniform courtesy and many kindnesses shown me by the officers and directors, and to the patrons of this bank for the liberal share of the community's business which it has received, and I trust the same loyalty on the part of all will be accorded my successor, whom I consider in every way worthy to fill the position.

H. N. PHILLIPS.

Having been elected cashier of The Peninsula Bank as above stated, to take effect on January 15, 1913, I beg to advise our friends and the public generally that I shall endeavor to serve your interests with the utmost fidelity, and to make our business relations as pleasant as possible. I hope that I may have the continued support of all those who have contributed so largely to the upbuilding of this strong old institution.

Very respectfully,
S. L. GRAHAM.

The colored people yesterday celebrated their emancipation day with a parade on horseback, in carriages and afoot. The crowd was larger than last year and very orderly. A band of music and drum corps enlivened the parade with music.

Mrs. A. R. Tabor, of Crider, Mo., had been troubled with sick headache for about five years, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She has taken two bottles of them and they have cured her. Sick headache is caused by a disordered stomach for which these tablets are especially intended. Try them, get well and stay well. Sold by all dealers.

LAPPS. ODD PEOPLE

Country Ruled by Czar is Barren and Desolate.

Few Persons Are Aware That There Are Two Kinds of Lapland—Natives Never Live Long in One Place.

St. Petersburg.—Among the curious peoples in the Russian empire is one race—the Lapps—who, though under the Czar's rule, practically are independent, for the very good reason that the Russian troops cannot get at them. Every schoolboy has heard of Lapland, in northern Europe, but few of us know that there are two kinds of Lapland. One is on the very verge of the continent, in a country so barren and desolate that about the only living creatures in it are the reindeer on which the northern Lapp subsists, the wolves, which live on the reindeer, and the Lapp himself.

In this region the herder Lapp roams at will. The country is more passable in winter than in summer, since it is traversed by numerous rivers and marshes that can be crossed only when frozen over, unless the traveler carries his boat on his back. But with the coming of winter the Lapps utilize the icebound rivers as thoroughfares in their travels. They know the best foraging grounds and the places where shelter may be afforded for a week's encampment.

The resting places of these nomads within the arctic circle depend upon the moss patches, the food of the reindeer. When it has been eaten off the ground these people must strike camp and go elsewhere. As a herd of a hundred deer will soon strip half a dozen acres of the moss growth it does not take long for them to eat up every-



Forbidding Part of Lapp Coast.

thing around the settlement, even the shoots of the birch and willow trees as far up as they can reach. So away goes the band, and the place may be deserted for several years, since three or four seasons are required for the moss again to spread over the ground wherefrom it has been eaten. This is why the Lapp wanders through valley and over plain, as does the tribesman of the desert. He must move to live, but this sort of life has sharpened his wits, and he is as shrewd at driving a bargain as the proverbial Yankee.

GIVES WEALTH FOR APPETITE

"Diamond Jim" Brady of New York Shows Gratitude to Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Baltimore, Md.—In gratitude to it for having restored his appetite, "Diamond Jim" Brady of New York has given \$220,000 to Johns Hopkins hospital here, it was learned. After suffering for near six months from stomach trouble, during which he could not indulge in the luxury of dry toast without being savagely revenged during digestion, Mr. Brady was able to sit down to his first big meal the other night. The menu which was served was as follows:

Cantaloupe, cherrystone clams, chicken gumbo (strained), sea bass, wine, broiled squab turkey, string bean salad, demi tasse, cigars, champagne.

WHOLE TOWN QUITS PHONE

Checotah (Okla.) in an Odd Protest Against Poor Service Rendered by Company.

Checotah, Okla.—Individually and collectively, Checotah has its receiver down. All the telephone receivers in town are down as a protest against what the patrons of the telephone company characterize as poor service. "Central's" most seductive words uttered in an effort to get the subscribers to "hang up" or answer calls have been of no avail and the citizens assert that they will not allow the phones to be used until improvements in the service are made.

Called the Largest Lunatics. Lexington, Ky.—Two of the largest lunatics ever known in Kentucky were brought to the asylum for the insane here. They are Lillie and Louise Schatzman, twin sisters, of Mayville. Both became insane at the same time and were ordered taken to the asylum together. Their aggregate weight is nearly 700 pounds.

FEW ACCIDENTS OCCURRED

During the Christmas holidays a few accidents occurred, but none seem to be serious. Charles E. Coles, a colored boy, had his thumb and finger badly lacerated with a giant firecracker, requiring the attention of a surgeon. Monday, while hunting, Ross Williams shot John Henry Orange, one leader bullet lodging in the skin just under the boy's eye. It was picked out by the doctor and John Henry is all right now. A youth named Brokensboro was accidentally shot in the leg by a companion while hunting. The wound was serious. The above are all colored.

A little son of Mr. A. J. Hall at Norge suffered slight burns at out the face from a firecracker, but his condition is not at all serious. No accidents of a fatal or dangerous nature have been reported.

When you want a reliable medicine for a cough or cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.

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TAX NOTICE!

I will be at my office in the City of Williamsburg Peninsula Bank Building EVERY SATURDAY. To receive taxes for the City of Williamsburg and County of James City. S. S. HANKINS, Treasurer

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Chesapeake & Ohio R. y.

Scenic Route to the West. Effective Nov. 24, 1912. Fast Vestibuled Trains. Parlor Cars to Richmond. Pullman Sleepers to Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis. WESTBOUND DAILY TRAINS. Lv. Williamsburg 10:32 a. m., and 5:32 p. m. Direct connections for all points West, Northwest and South-west. Fast Trains for Newport News, Norfolk and Old Point. Lv. Williamsburg 9:58 a. m., and 4:58 p. m. Locals for Newport News. Lv. Williamsburg 8:58 a. m., 6:29 p. m. Locals for Richmond. Lv. Williamsburg 8:16 a. m., 6:06 p. m.

W. L. JONES FARMS

From 10 to 1300 Acres OWNER'S PRICE

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No. 45. Fine 65 acre truck farm and lovely 9-room dwelling in grove of 50 trees, in sight of city; new large barn and stable, other out buildings; 55 acres in cultivation; 10 acres young pines. Owner recently paralyzed, must sell; offers for only \$3500. No finer bargain nor more attractive home to be found.

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